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LARRY LEHTO  
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Dear Mr. Lehto:

We have received your proposals for Plans of Operations (Plans) on the Cherie #3, Cactus #1, and Serendipity #6 mining claims. We have reviewed the Plans and identified the following deficiencies:

1. The main deficiency is the lack of a general schedule of operations from start through closure. We understand that the pits within which you are working have been opened up for many years and that you may be able to work within them just using hand tools for at least the upcoming year; but, for purposes of processing your Plans, we need to know if you anticipate enlarging the pits, and if so, when and how much?
2. Your taxpayer identification number. This number should be on a separate sheet of paper from your Plans, so that we can keep it in a secure location and not in the public case file.

If you wish, we can provide maps of the pits at their current size, and you can modify the maps to designate how you plan to enlarge them. We could also use the maps to calculate the current acreage disturbed and your reclamation cost estimate could be based on those calculations. However, before you enlarge the pits, the reclamation cost estimate would have to be

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recalculated and your financial guarantee would have to be adjusted.

You might also consider combining all three of your operations into one Plan. That way, you would avoid having to bond for three separate incidences of mobilizing and demobilizing heavy equipment for reclamation. You wouldn't necessarily have to reclaim all three sites at once; however, your Plan should try to predict the reclamation sequence of the operation.

Your Plans also state that you anticipate commencing operations on July 15, 2003. Since you propose using only hand tools, we will allow casual use activities, even though your Plans have not been approved and your financial guarantees are not in place. However, we would appreciate it if you would contact us and arrange for on-site meetings while you are in the area so that we can expedite bringing your operations into compliance with the regulations.

Please contact Sheri Wysong at 435-743-3124 to arrange an on onsite meeting.

Sincerely,



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Rex Rowley  
Field Office Manager

cc: Tom Munson, UDOGM (S/023/025)